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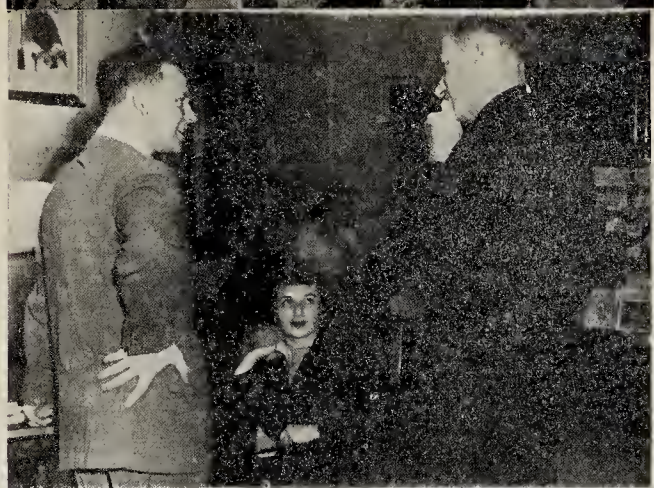
FOR THE ALUMNI OF SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE

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Old Friends Get Together at St. Joe's



Alumni of classes from 1907 to 1953 converged on the Collegeville campus Oct. 17 from various parts of Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and Kentucky. It was probably the biggest Homecoming yet.

Classes represented in varying degrees were those of 1907, '24, '25, '26, '30, '42, '43, '47, '48, '49, '50, '51, '52, and '53.

A registration and information stand was manned at the book store entrance, where incoming alumni could sign up—and check on which of their old friends were on the campus. No registration fee was charged.

After the Butler Bulldogs had devoured St. Joe's Pumas (47-13) and alumni, students, parents and guests had devoured 36 home-raised turkeys in the college dining room, many of the alums and their families gathered in the faculty lounge for an informal reception by Father Gross and other faculty members.

The Homecoming Dance was attended by many alumni couples, while others chatted about old times and refreshed themselves in the balcony of the Field House, a spot reserved exclusively for that purpose.

Following the big dance, some "old grads" took in the "Midnight Revels," held in Raleigh Hall from 12 until 3 a. m. Music for this affair was supplied by Willie Jones and his Combo, of Chicago.

At 11:30 Sunday morning, a Memorial Mass was offered in St. Joseph's Chapel for alumni deceased during the past year.

THE HOMECOMING PHOTOGRAPHS shown here include only a few of the many visiting alumni. The top photo, of course, was taken at the game between Butler and St. Joe's Pumas. The other pictures were taken at random during the president's reception in the Faculty Lounge. The second photograph shows Father Fred Fehrenbacher, '22, talking over old times with a group of former students, Joseph Condict, '49; Jim Buckley, '48; J. J. Fehrenbacher, ex-'42; and Fred Beckman, '47. In the third photo, Tom Carmody, '50, and his friend, Miss McCarthy, exchange experiences with Father Leonard Kostka, '35. Father Raphael Gross joins the alumni wives and children for a chat, and with him in the fourth photo are little Miss Ikonovic; Mrs. F. A. Benchik holding Baby Ikonovic; Mrs. James Ikonovic, mother of the children; and Mrs. R. Causland. In the last photo are Father Cletus Dirksen, '26; Francis Lambers, '51; and Jack McCann, '51. (Photos by Fr. Baird.)

Msgr. Heyker Dies at Age 58

Last rites for Monsignor Matthias F. Heyker, '19, former Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, were held Oct. 31 in The Fenwick's Holy Spirit Chapel, Cincinnati, where he had been rector since January of this year.

Msgr. R. Marcellus Wagner, V.G., officiated at the Solemn Requiem and gave the sermon.

The 58-year-old priest died in Good Samaritan Hospital, Cincinnati, on Oct. 27, after a brief illness.

In his 28-year career in the priesthood, he held several other important posts in addition to his office as Chancellor. He was an Archdiocesan Consultor under two Archbishops, the Officialis and, (Continued on Page Four)

Alumni Questionnaires Still Need Returning

Early response on the alumni questionnaires was excellent, several hundred men returning the forms within the first two weeks. But the flow has slowed down to a mere trickle now—and many more hundreds of alumni are yet to reply.

The extreme importance of these questionnaires in bringing the alumni files and mailing lists up to date can easily be seen. Any organization is bound to wither, probably die, without accurate knowledge headquarters about the members.

Please set aside a few minutes one evening real soon to get your questionnaire filled out and mailed to St. Joseph's!

Girl Singing Groups Entertain at St. Joe's

An auditorium-capacity crowd of St. Joe students, friends, guests and faculty members again heard the girls from Cincinnati sing here on Oct. 31. The combined glee clubs of St. Mark's parish and Regina High School made their third highly-successful appearance before a Collegeville audience.

The all-girl aggregation, whose fame is legendary in the Cincinnati area, presented a group of musical selections, followed by a variety type of show.

Their director was Cletus Mecklenborg.



THE NEWLY CROWNED HOMECOMING QUEEN is congratulated by Father Gross during the halftime intermission of the football game. The queen was Miss Deanna Burns of Hammond. Her attendants were Miss Jo Ann Bonin and Miss Marie St. Cyr, both of Chicago.

New Officers Are Elected by Three Clubs

Three St. Joseph's College alumni chapters have elected officers recently for the coming year. They are the Lake County, the J-O-E (Jasper-Owensboro-Evansville), and the Greater Detroit clubs.

The new officers of the Greater Detroit organization are: President, Paul Kilbride; vice-president, Edward Brennan; secretary, Audrey Wagner; and treasurer, Mrs. John Valesano.

The J-O-E members elected the following: President, Bernie Hoffman; first vice-president, Ray Stone; second vice-president, Jim Taylor; secretary, Ray Patterson; and treasurer, Jim Angamier.

The new Lake County officers include: President, John Gazda; vice-president, John Geffert; secretary, Dorothy Vidovich; and treasurer, Eugene Kasper.

Lafayette Diocese Completing Drive

The fund campaign for Bennett Hall, conducted the past several weeks in the parishes of Lafayette diocese, is almost complete. Most donations were mailed directly to the residence of Bishop John G. Bennett, where they await his return from Europe to be opened and tallied.

The "campaign" consisted largely in telling the St. Joseph's story to the Catholics of the diocese—the great value of the college's work in giving young men of low and moderate means a sound, Christian education; the rapid development of the college and the need for even further development to properly fulfill its mission.

The story was told through "The Call," a miniature newspaper which went into the homes of most parishioners for five consecutive weeks, through home-to-home visits in some parishes, and from the pulpits of nearly all churches by St. Joseph's own priests.

Although it is too early to know the monetary results of the campaign, reception of the call was warm and enthusiastic, and the prayers of St. Joseph's neighbors in the diocese are certain to benefit the college and aid in its progress.

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Brother Cletus, '18

We Hear

from INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana
Please find enclosed my check for the alumni fund. Also, Father, would appreciate your saying a Mass or Masses, as you choose, for the repose of the soul of Bob Braithwaite.
Thank you.

Tom Owens ('51)
(923 N. Rural)

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from ST. LOUIS, Missouri
Just a note to let you know about my recent marriage. I thought you possibly might find space for it in the next issue of CONTACT!

I was married August 22 at St. Louis, Mo. to Miss Antoinette Keeven. The best man was Jack McCann, '51, and Bill Taylor, '51, was groomsmen. Also in the wedding party was Bill Mattingly, '52. So you can see St. Joe was well represented.

At present I am in the Army Finance as an Army Auditor stationed in St. Louis.

Sincerely,
Charles J. Korba, Jr., '51

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from FT. LEONARD WOOD, Missouri
By now you have probably heard that I am in the army. I was drafted in August and am now at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., taking engineering training, which is no more than pick and shovel nomenclature.

This post is like St. Joe's campus on Homecoming week. So far I've met Tom Paonessa, '53, who plays for our regimental football team. Maynar Gamber, '53, who teaches the functioning of the machine gun, Jack Richert, '53, who is in the hospital over a possible appendicitis, Gerald Murphy, '53, who is in the second week of training, Richard Van Der Karr, '53, also in the second week of training, and Dick Krushansky, '53, who is also in training. A former student, Gene McCann, ex-'51, is sports editor and publicity director of the post sports and news. He gave Tom Paonessa a good write-up in the Post news coverage of the last football game.

Basic training will be over for me in seven weeks. I am then going to get into the military justice division if possible. Last month I talked with a colonel and a captain in the division and they encouraged me even after they found out I had studied philosophy and some theology.

Emanuel Cannonito, '52
Co. B., 76th A.M.B.—CCA
6th Armd. Div.

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from NASHVILLE 3, Tennessee
Unfortunately, your announcement of the date of this year's Homecoming arrived too late to enable me to change a pre-arranged itinerary—hence, I was unable to attend.

I was at St. Joe during June of this year for the first time in over 20 years. Needless to say, the place has undergone quite a metamorphosis. This visit I enjoyed very much. I had tentatively planned on returning Homecoming Day but as said before, the time element precluded my doing so.

Maybe next year I'll be able to be there.

J. William (Bill) Egolf, ex-'33
832 Stahlman Bldg.
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3303rd Pl. Tng. Sqdn.
Bartow A.F.
Bartow, Florida.

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374 2nd Pre-Flight Tng. Sq.
Lackland A.F. Base
San Antonio, Texas.

Pvt. Rudolph L. Volz, Jr.
Co. F., 130th Inf. Reg.
Ft. Lewis, Washington.

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St. Joseph's Senior N.F.C.C.S. Officer

Buel T. Adams, a St. Joe senior, this year is the national treasurer of the National Federation of Catholic College Students, of which Father Albert Wuest, '26, is regional moderator.

Adams was elected national treasurer of the organization, the first nation-wide movement of Catholic college students with ecclesiastical approval, at the group's tenth annual convention in Cincinnati last summer. He was the only officer elected by unanimous vote.

As a student at St. Joseph's, Adams has been the regional press commission chairman of the NFCCS, edited Stuff the past two years, participated in ten major productions of the Columbian Players, and has been a member of the Glee Club, the Commerce Club, the Catholic Action club, and the servers' organization. This year he is the editor of Phase.

Scholastically, he has maintained an academic index of 2.97 out of a possible 3.00 for three years, and has ranked first in his class every year he has been at St. Joseph's. He is an accounting major.

The NFCCS itself is a service organization, uniting campus and club activities in Catholic colleges throughout the country. Through a system of commissions, it coordinates similar activities of students, and channels them into unified programs. Local activities are developed as part of a regional network, and these in turn become cogs in the national plan.

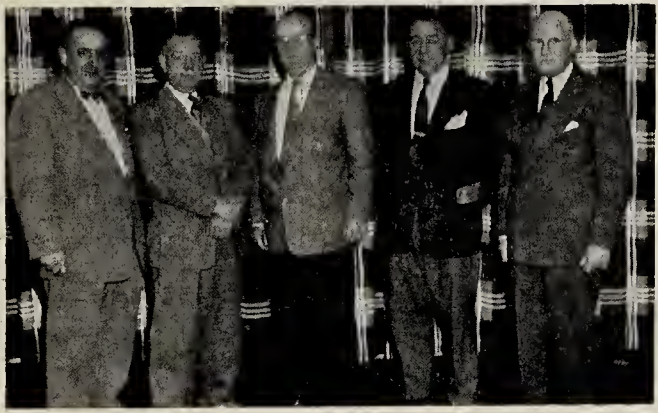
Alumni Quickies

An interesting bit of history (before the turn of the century) accompanied the Alumni Questionnaire returned by **Fred D. Breit**, '94, who has been President and owner of the North Counties Hydro-Electric Co. of Evanston, Ill. for these many years. Fred adds the postscript: "I was the first Chicago student in '93, 14 years old." . . . **Medard A. Gabel**, '21, Commercial graduate, rose to the position of Asst. Vice-President in the First National Bank of Skokie, Ill. on Nov. 1 . . . The title "District Attorney" can justly be applied to **Stan Arnold**, '21, who left old Hoosier soil in '43 to manage the employment office of the War Manpower Commission in Susanville, Calif., and has been in that city since that date. He became district attorney in 1949 . . . **Daniel P. Deneau**, '53, is enrolled at the University of Notre Dame as a graduate student in the Department of English . . . **Lou R. Yugovich**, '43, known as "gun" among his close St. Joe friends, has been coaching since 1946 and is now head football and basketball mentor at St. Mary's Springs Academy, Fond du Lac, Wis. . . . **Fred F. Follmar**, '31, is pediatrician at the Rockford Trust Bldg. in Rockford, Ill. "Doc" spent four years with the Department of the Interior, 1942-'46, as a Physician in Indian Service at Lac du Flambeau, Wis. . . . **Jerry Diver**, '47 (Acad.), is a 2nd Lt. with the 523rd Engineer Pipe Line Co. on duty in Korea, via APO 973, c/o PM., San Francisco, Calif. . . . The Kentucky Retail Hardware Association recently chose **William C. Dieruf, Jr.**, '42, as guest speaker on a 1400 mile trip through the Blue Grass state. Bill is owner of the Dieruf Hardware in Jeffersontown, Ky., and during college days developed a golden voice as chief operator at the College switchboard . . . Listeners to radio station WJW of Cleveland are urged to watch for the words "This is **Thomas J. Carson**, your announcer" following programs. Tom, '43, now in his third year on the WJW staff, has announced at WHIM, Lansing, Mich., WCAR, Pontiac, Mich., WKBZ, Muskegon, Mich., and WKZO, Kalamazoo, Mich. The Carsons who live at 1637 Pleasantdale Drive, Cleveland, have two children, Jeffrey a year old, and Deborah, born on October 8 . . . **William H. Gausselin**, '53, grad in Business Administration is now Retail Supervisor for Montgomery Ward & Co. in the Windy City . . . Certified Public Accountant **Paul W. Babin**, '29, entered the Lozier and Babin firm in 1952, after spending nine years as Auditor . . . **Frater Bernard (Leonard) Way**, O.S.B., '49, expects to be ordained in May 1953. He is presently Registrar at St. Benedict's College, Atchison, Kans. . . . Sports writer **Wm. J. Fox**, '49, who is now Associate Editor of the Amarillo AFB Jet Journal, hopes to get back to the scorebooks yet this season . . . Since last July **Joseph J. Faulkner**, '41, has been a property accounting officers on the staff at Purdue University . . . **Wilkie J. Chung**, '53, is attending the Medical School of St. Louis University . . . Meet a fellow editor, **Carl J. Geels**, '38, who publishes the "Hoosier Square Dancer" in addition to teaching and promoting . . . There have been very few dull moments in the career of **Louis J. Balbach**, '34, who went from the FBI where he served as special agent to the position of professor at both Catholic University and Georgetown, then served as 1st Lt. in the U. S. Army, and on to his present position of Accounts Secretary and Office Manager of the United States Committee for the United Nations . . . Owner of the Decatur (Ind.) Gift Center, **Edward J. Heimann**, '47, also teaches at Jefferson High School, Berue, Ind. . . . **Dr. Clement Fischer**, '05, has been a practicing physician in Dayton, Ohio, since 1912 . . . Alumni Questionnaires have uncovered two additional "Alumni dads of St. Joe students" in **Albert H. Henneberger**, '07, Fower, Ind., and **Edgar H. Stephan**, '24, of Gary, Ind. . . . Alumnus **Charles L. Cowl**, ex-'22 who resides at 4103 Empedrado, Tampa, Fla., has been State Director of the CIO since 1946 . . . Living at 619 Venetian Blvd., Lindenhurst, L. I., N. Y., **William H. McCaslin**, '49, teaches at Babylon High School. The McCaslins have two sons, Greg and Andy . . . "President" of the W. G. Bonvouloir Associates, Inc., an Organization and Fund Raising Firm, is prefixed to the name of **Wilfrid G. Bonvouloir**, '21, of Midland, Mich. . . . Birth announcements received: A daughter, Andrea Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. **Donald G. Smith**, '47, Oct. 5; a daughter, Teresa Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. **John J. Barrientos**, '51, Oct. 8; a daughter, Deborah, to Mr. and Mrs. **Thomas J. Carson**, '43, Oct. 8; a daughter, Donna Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. **Donald Toner**, ex-'45, Oct. 10 . . . Weddings: **Charles J. Korba, Jr.**, '51, to Miss Antoinette Keeven, at St. Louis, Mo., on August 22; **Anthony Phillips**, '50, to Miss Agnes Azuvas, at St. Adrian's church, Chicago, on Oct. 3. The Phillips will live at 6605 S. Fairfield, Chicago . . . Through alumni questionnaire correspondence we learn of the deaths of the following: **John B. Grogan**, ex-'40; **Donald R. MacDonald**, ex-'53, due to fatal

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NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS of the St. Joseph's Dad's Club are pictured above after the recent election-meeting in Chicago. From left to right are: Clarence Flynn, secretary; Dr. S. J. Governale, vice-president; Ralph Neff, retiring president; James J. Griffin, president; Raymond Scheussler, vice-president; and Samuel M. Giuffre, treasurer. Also chosen at the Oct. 30 meeting was the Executive Committee shown below. They are, from left to right: C. A. Cheevers, Dr. Fred Stucker, James Kehoe, Raymond Snyder and George McCarthy. Missing from the photograph is Ralph Neff. The next meeting of the Fathers' Club will be Dec. 11. (Photos by Fr. Baird.)



We Hear

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from BURLINGTON, Wisconsin

..... Have been ill the past two years, during which time I was obliged to submit to four major surgeries. Am finally achieving some improvement and hope to be able to leave here soon, but as soon as I am able to be moved will be obliged to return to a Milwaukee Hospital for further observation.

Would appreciate your putting the name of my elder nephew, R. Denys Bienemann on your list to receive whatever promotional literature Saint Joe's issues from time to time. He is a High School Freshman at Saint Mary's High here, and seems to have quite definitely decided upon a career in law.

With all good wishes for continued success of Saint Joseph's, I am,

Sincerely yours,

F. R. Bienemann, ex-'23

Rm. 116, Memorial Hospital

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from APO 227, c/o PM., NEW YORK, N. Y.

..... Now that I am pretty well settled in my new station I thought I had better write in order to give you my mailing address. I am very much interested in the affairs of the college and would appreciate any information I receive.

My trip from New York to Europe was a most pleasant one. There wasn't much to see until we reached the English Channel and even then it was so foggy that we just got a glimpse of the Cliffs of Dover. We arrived in Bremerhaven, Germany from whence we took a train south to Zweibrücken where we waited for our assignments. I left there yesterday morning and came to Kaiserslautern where I will in all probability be stationed for the next eighteen months. Incidentally we are located in the French zone of Germany. The trip through the German countryside was very enjoyable. The scenery was beautiful from north to south and I only hope to get a chance to travel more extensively.

Pvt. Edward B. Fech, ex-'56

355th Engr. Co. (Depot)

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from FPO, SAN FRANCISCO, California

..... My mother forwards CONTACT to my address after it has been read at home. This is by agreement as the folks enjoy reading the latest about St. Joe's.

In March of 1952 I was drafted into the Marine Corps and spent all my first 17 months in California. Since boot camp I have been in the post office, and with the 3rd Marine Division since a year last August. That is my parent organization now too. In March '54 I expect to be released and will return to Indianapolis.

Give my regards and best wishes to all.

Joe McNamara, '52

Clerk, Marine Directory Section
Navy, No. 850.

Alums to Return For Net Game

Many former St. Joe stars will return to campus on Nov. 21 to face the current Puma squad in the annual Alumni basketball game. The alums, if their acceptance letters are significant, will be out to avenge the 80-56 defeat handed them last year by the varsity.

Those alumni who have informed Coach Dick Scharf that they will be present for the game include: Mike Kacmar, '52, Gary, Ind.; Bob Horky, '50, and Dick Collins, ex-'50, both of Chicago; Wally Moore, '50, coach at Maria Stein High School, Maria Stein, Ohio; Don Tesmond, '50, a coach at SS. Peter and Paul High School, Ottawa, Ohio; and Ralph (Joe) Jansen, ex-'50, of Indianapolis.

Bill Elbert, '53, a very recent addition to the U. S. Army, hopes to draw a weekend leave from Ft. Benjamin Harrison in order to play against his old team-mates.

Coach Scharf makes clear that it's not too late until the game is over for alumni players to volunteer—and that he's hoping for a large rooting section of alums whose sacroiliac or mortgage worries prevent their playing this time.

Bronze Star Awarded To Father R. J. Curtis

Father (Major) Robert J. Curtis, '30, army chaplain from the Toledo diocese, has received the Bronze Star medal for meritorious service in Korea.

Father Curtis, who is chaplain of the 45th Infantry Division's 180th Regiment, was assistant pastor of Holy Angels Parish in Sandusky when recalled to military service.

In a letter to the Sandusky American Legion (quoted in the Catholic Chronicle), Father Curtis said that morale conditions in his regiment have worsened since the fighting stopped. Good reading material would help, he wrote, and added that, "Mail call is more important to most of the men than meal call. Some of the trouble with men comes when their home folks neglect to write. They feel let down, as though no one cared. That is a bad state of mind for men this far from home."

Father Curtis' address is No. 0474530, 1st Bn., 180th Inf. Reg., APO 85, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

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Pvt. Matt J. Walters
Co. A., 87th Inf. Reg.
10th Inf. Div.
Ft. Riley, Kansas.

Pvt. Robert Whalen
Co. C., 46th A.I.B.
5th Armd. Div.
Camp Chaffee, Arkansas.

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Newport, R.I.

St. Joseph's Pumas Ready to Embark On New 21-Game Basketball Season

With St. Joseph's 21-game, 1953-54 basketball season slated to get under way Nov. 21, Coach Dick Scharf has begun to intensify the Puma squad's practice sessions in preparation for a successful defense of the team's co-championship in the I.C.C.

Coach Scharf has been unwilling to commit himself on the team's chances of repeating last year's record, but having lost only two men from the 1952-53 squad through graduation, the prospects for this season would seem to be anything but gloomy.

Lost via graduation were Jack Dwyer, All-Conference and All-Catholic selection last year at center, and Bill Elbert, rebounding specialist at forward. Filling the shoes of these two standouts undoubtedly will prove to be a difficult job.

Eight returning lettermen form the nucleus of this year's squad, and they are ably supported by last year's Jay-Vees and a fine crop of new freshman talent.

The returning veterans are led by two juniors—big, aggressive Don Merki, All-Conference forward and Puma scoring leader,

and small, cool-headed Willie Kellogg, playmaker and ball-handler extraordinary, at guard.

Other lettermen include Chet Pilat, outstanding as a freshman two years ago but hindered by ineligibility the first part of last season; Forward Bernie Boff, the only senior on this year's squad; Timmy O'Brien, a guard who saw plenty of action last season; Marv Hackman, Ed O'Rourke and Terry McCarthy.

A heavy schedule has been arranged for this year, including 12 conference games to be played on a home-and-home basis. With the addition of DePauw to the conference, and with many of the teams seeking to avenge last year's defeats, the St. Joe Pumas face a long, arduous road in their quest of a second I.C.C. crown.

Prospects Bright For Better Puma Football Future

Despite their partly unsuccessful season to date, the Pumas of St. Joseph's College have given their supporters many signs of encouragement for the future.

The Pumas have only four graduating seniors on the squad, and about half of the squad members are freshmen. Many of the first-year men have shown definite promise of developing into excellent football players. With this year's experience behind them, these youngsters may help to improve the football fortunes of St. Joe's.

One of the outstanding features of this season was the victory over St. Amrose, which was the first in St. Joe's history. The Pumas defeated the Bees 14-7 in the opening game of the season, with Quarterback Bill Zimmer supplying all of the scoring points for the Collegeville boys.

The Pumas, riddled with injuries all season, did not have much luck with the big, experienced squads from Butler and Valparaiso. Valpo defeated St. Joe's in the second game of the season, 45-7, and the Bulldogs dampened the St. Joe Homecoming festivities somewhat, by inflicting a 47-13 loss on the Pumas.

In their losses to Indiana State, Ball State and Evansville, the Pumas exhibited spurts of offensive and defensive brilliance. Indiana State had to overcome a 14-7 first half Puma lead, going on to beat St. Joe's 23-14.

After a scoreless first half, the Aces of Evansville scored three times in the final quarter to gain a 26-6 victory; and Ball State's Cardinals defeated St. Joe's 14-6, despite the Pumas' outstanding defensive play.

The Collegeville boys kept St. Norbert scoreless until the last four minutes of the game at West DePere, Wis., still ending with a gratifying 12-7 victory over the Green Knights.

As of this writing, the Pumas have yet to attempt to improve their season record in a tilt with DePere, Wis., and Lewis College of Lockport.

Basketball Schedule

—1953-1954—

Nov. 21—Alumni	Here
Nov. 24—Anderson	Here
Dec. 2—*DePauw	There
Dec. 5—Chicago Teachers	Here
Dec. 7—Illinois Wesleyan	There
Dec. 9—Wabash	Here
Dec. 12—*Evansville	There
Dec. 15—Franklin	Here
Dec. 18—Great Lakes	Hammond (Civic Center)

Jan. 6—*DePauw	Here
Jan. 9—Valparaiso	There
Jan. 16—*Ball State	There
Jan. 30—Bellarmine	Louisville
Feb. 1—*Butler	There
Feb. 4—*Butler	Here
Feb. 6—*Indiana State	Here
Feb. 8—*Evansville	Here
Feb. 11—*Valparaiso	Here
Feb. 17—*Indiana State	There
Feb. 20—*Ball State	Here
Feb. 25—St. Norbert	There

*Denotes I.C.C. Games

John Kennedy Receives Bronze Star Medal

The Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in the closing days of the Korean conflict was recently presented to Army 2nd Lt. John Kennedy, ex-'51, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Kennedy, 600 E. Joliet St., Crown Point.

Lt. Kennedy was cited for his work from July 14 to July 19, as a member of Battery A of the 3rd Infantry Division's 9th Field Artillery Battalion. Among the battles in which the division participated were those for "Outpost Harry," "Jackson Heights," and "Kelly Hill."

Lt. Kennedy entered the Army in February of 1951, and completed basic training at Fort Lee, Va.

A 1947 graduate of Aurora (Ill.) High School, he attended St. Joseph's College for two years, after which he became merchandise manager for Sears, Roebuck and Co., in Gary.

Quickies

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fall in back yard June 23: James P. Sheehan, Sr., ex-'11, father of James P. Sheehan, '49 . . . In a news supplement on radio broadcasts in honor of Christopher Columbus we spot the names of the following alumni: Rev. Robert R. Stock, C.P.P.S., '24, station KDKD, Montrose, Mo.; Rev. Carmen Nardecchia, '32, WIMA, Lima, O.; Rev. Ambrose Newton, C.P.P.S., '26, station KGLC, Miami, Okla.; and Rev. John J. Bannon, '40, station WGH, Newport News, Va. Military duty in Europe has been the fare of Ralph I. Peters, ex-'46, during he past five years . . . Cpl. Robert F. Clark, ex-'54, who can be reached in Co. A., 813th, E A B, APO 942, c/o PM, Seattle, Wash., is in Anchorage, Alaska and expects to be rotated home about March 1 . . .



MOTHERS' CLUB MEMBERS held their first meeting of the year on Oct. 24 at the Fair Store in Chicago. They are pictured here while at luncheon. Father Joseph Otte was the principal speaker of the day. Officers elected at the meeting are: President, Mrs. Sam Governale; vice-presidents, Mrs. Ted O'Connell, Mrs. Paul Cherry, Mrs. Louise Gillen, Mrs. George McCarthy and Mrs. Edward Flynn; corresponding secretary, Mrs. John Cheevers; and treasurer, Mrs. Frank Lynn.

Eleven St. Joe Men Make "Who's Who"

St. Joseph's College will be represented in the 1953-54 edition of Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities by eleven members of the senior class. The eleven selected this year equal in number the 1952-53 group, which reached an all-time high for St. Joseph's. The annual publication is a listing of outstanding seniors in the colleges and universities throughout the country.

Those selected for this year's "Who's Who" are:

Buel T. Adams of Mansfield, Ohio. An Accounting major, Adams is a former editor of Stuff and is the 1953-54 editor of Phase. He has a very high scholastic index. Adams is the national treasurer of the National Federation of Catholic College Students. Edmund S. Ashburner of Pittsburgh, Pa. A Physical Education major, Ashburner has received varsity monograms in both football and baseball. He also has a very high scholastic index.

Bernard J. Boff of Defiance, Ohio. A member of the varsity basketball squad, Boff is also president of the Senior class and president of the Commerce Club.

His name has frequently appeared on the Dean's List.

Richard P. Kotheimer of Youngstown, Ohio. Kotheimer is a Chemistry major and president of the Columbian Players. He is also chairman of the Dance Committee for the 1953-54 school year.

George R. Kuhn, of Detroit, Mich. Kuhn has majored in Mathematics. He is president of the Albertus Magnus Society and a former president of the Don Bosco Club. He is an officer in the Glee Club. Kuhn's name has often appeared on the Dean's List.

Francis J. Molson of Whiting, Ind. An English major, Molson is editor of Measure, the college literary magazine. He is also a member of the Phase staff.

Kenneth J. Ryan of Gary, Ind. Ryan is a Business Administration major with a very high scholastic index. He is also the senior delegate to the National

Federation of Catholic College Students.

George J. Smolar of Whiting, Ind. Smolar has a very high scholastic average. He has also received varsity monograms in baseball.

Paul S. Steigmeyer of Fort Wayne, Ind. An Accounting major, Steigmeyer was president of his class in 1952. He also possesses a very high scholastic index.

John D. Thorpe of Chicago, Ill. An outstanding guard on the varsity football team, Thorpe is majoring in Business Administration. He is president of the Monogram Club, and also president of the Chicago Club.

William J. Zimmer of Covington, Ky. Zimmer is a Mathematics major, and is the regular quarterback of the Puma football team. He has held various class offices and has been named frequently to the Dean's List.

Players to Offer "Home of Brave"

The Columbian Players will begin their 63d year of performances Saturday and Sunday nights, Dec. 12 and 13, when the '53-'54 version presents the Broadway

success, "Home of the Brave."

The presentation will also mark the premiere of the CP's new director, Lee O'Connell.

Starring in the show are Freshman Frank DeSana of Wyandotte, Mich., and Senior Performer Bob Gregoire of Danville. DeSana portrays the role of Coney, a sensitive Jewish youth who experiences real and imagined religious discrimination in the Army. Gregoire takes the part of Mingo.

Playing Finch is Sophomore Jack Carlson of Chicago; Freshman Ed Stepan is TJ; Soph Terry Flynn, the Major; and Frosh Ed Hebda the doctor. Stepan and Hebda are from Chicago, Flynn from Gary.

Only Gregoire and Carlson have trodden the Collegeville hardboards before. Gregoire, a veteran, last made his local appearances in 1950-'51 when he was in "The Drunkard" and "The Comedian." Carlson was in four CP shows last year, his major role coming in "The Hasty Heart."

Because of the play's rapid-fire changes of scene, Mr. O'Connell is installing a three-in-one set, with three complete stagings on the boards at once. Scene changes will be made by spotlighting the various areas.

The Players have also combined with St. Xavier's College, Chicago, in recording Shakespeare's "The Merry Wives of Windsor" for Shakespeare classes. Work on this was done Nov. 20 and 21.

Glee Club Dates Set for Openers

The St. Joseph's College Glee Club will make its first off-campus appearance of the year on Nov. 17, when they will sing for the Lions Club of Rensselaer. The occasion is the 10th anniversary party of the club, held in DeMotte, Ind., at the American Legion home.

Although definite dates have not been set for most appearances, this promises to be the busiest season yet for the group of singers.

The Glee-men will sing at a convention of the Indiana Production Credit Association, to be held in the Grand Ballroom at Purdue University on Nov. 30. An audience of 800 to 1500 is expected to be present for this event.

A St. Joseph's alumnus, Father Cyril Ernst, '21, has extended an invitation to the Glee Club to re-visit his parish in Pulaski, Ind., and repeat the performance given there last year. This concert has been tentatively scheduled for early spring.

The Glee Club opened the 1953-54 season with a performance on Oct. 16, as part of the Homecoming festivities.

New Dairy Plant Now in Operation

The new dairy plant on St. Joseph's farm, complete with milking parlor, loafing shed, pasteur-

izer, observation room and all the latest innovations for the economical production of milk, is now occupied by the Holstein herd.

The plant, which was designed and constructed by the St. Joseph's staff, incorporating ideas of the dairy experts at Purdue University, is said to be one of the most modern and up-to-date in the state. In its operation, milk is piped directly from the milking machines to the coolers and pasteurizer, never touched by open air.

On December 5 and 6, after all equipment has been thoroughly tested by usage, an "open house" will give all those interested a chance to see and hear about the various phases of the operation. Purdue University and most of the

county agents in the state are helping to publicize the event. Special invitations are being extended to the 1500-or-so members of the Indiana Farm Management Association, most of whom are already familiar with the design and construction of the barn, having become interested during their annual convention on the campus last summer.

St. Joseph's is having published a small booklet to give to visitors, explaining the plant and the function of each of its parts. Firms which supplied materials and equipment for the plant will have representatives on hand to explain the merits and operation of their products.

The new residence, built near the barn last summer for the dairy manager and his family, will be used during the "open house" as a place for registration.

St. Joseph's Is Initiating "Layaway" Education Plan

Your son can be enrolled at St. Joseph's now! Whatever his age, you can begin to do something about his college education . . . Such is the advantage of St. Joe's new "layaway" education plan.

One of the toughest problems confronting most families is that of laying aside enough money—and keeping it laid aside—to assure the complete education of their children. It is a tough problem because of its very importance, and because of the stiff competition of other, more immediate financial concerns.

With this important problem in mind—and with the idea of a good, enthusiastic student-body nucleus some twelve, fifteen, twenty years from now—St. Joseph's has worked out the plan whereby parents can enroll their sons now, and pay for their St. Joseph's education while they are growing up.

The "layaway" education plan is simple—and as easy as can be

on the parent, friend or relative who is looking toward the child's future. The boy can be enrolled with the payment of any amount of money. The fund can be added to at the convenience of the parents; they are not committed to any certain amount or any frequency of payment. All the money is put aside for the future student's tuition, room and board. It cannot be withdrawn for any other purpose; but in event of death, it will be returned to the parents.

The plan has many merits, not the least of which will be the strong feeling of satisfaction which will accompany the act of doing something about a problem which always is lurking in the back of parents' minds.

Those interested are asked to fill out the form below and send it for further information to: St. Joseph's College Foundation, Collegeville, Ind.

Fr. Gilbert Esser Promoted by Army

Father Gilbert F. Esser, '18, professor of Latin at St. Joseph's, is now a Lieutenant Colonel in the U. S. Army Reserve. A letter from President Eisenhower, received on Oct. 1, officially confirmed the promotion.

Fr. Esser, who was first commissioned in 1935, attained the rank of captain in 1941. During World War II, he served first as regimental and then as assistant division chaplain for the 79th Infantry Division. Later he was transferred to the Replacement Depot System and spent two years overseas, returning to the United States in 1946 as a major.

During the past summer, Fr. Esser received wide recognition in his parish at Medaryville, Ind. The town celebrated its centennial, and he was asked to write the history of the town. It was published under the title, "The Tale of One City," as a souvenir of the centennial.

An historical pageant was also prepared for the celebration by Father Esser. The people of the parish served as actors for the pageant, which was witnessed by hundreds of people.



THE PARENTS CLUB held a reception for the parents of new students last month at the South Shore Country Club in Chicago. Shown below are Ed Kern and Gino Pacetti, St. Joseph's freshmen, who provided the entertainment for the occasion with songs and accordion. (Photos by Fr. Baird.)



ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE FOUNDATION:

Please send me full details concerning St. Joseph's new "layaway" education plan.

My name.....

My address.....

Child's name.....

Relationship to me.....

His birth date.....

Parent's name (if other than above):.....

I have some specific questions concerning the plan which I would like to have answered. They are stated in the space below.

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